



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

NATIONAL SCIENCE APPRECIATION DAY

2023

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on March 26, 1953, American medical scientist, Dr. Jonas Salk, announced he had developed a vaccine against polio; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates the polio vaccine has prevented 13 million cases of paralysis and saved 650,000 lives worldwide since 1988; and

WHEREAS, science has brought humanity vaccines, antibiotics, surgery, sanitation, increased agricultural yields, pasteurization, safe drinking water, and thousands of other interventions that have doubled the human lifespan in little more than a century; and

WHEREAS, people have experienced longer and healthier lives, greater convenience, and comfort due to the benefits of science; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina invites residents to show their appreciation for technology, science education, and medical research in North Carolina and beyond; and

WHEREAS, residents are encouraged to reflect on and share how scientific advances have bettered their lives and those of their loved ones;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March 26, 2023, as “**NATIONAL SCIENCE APPRECIATION DAY**” in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-second day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-seventh.